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ROCKEFELLER TURNS DOWN THE ALLIES

**Won't Subscribe to British Loan—Has Rebuffed French
and Russian Agents—Calls War Awful and
Recites Doggerel.**

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Cleveland, O., Sept. 17.—John D. Rockefeller, Sr., has positively determined that he will take no part in lending money to carry on the conflict in Europe. In an interview obtained with the world's richest man by the United Press it was learned that the oil king has been offered opportunities to enrich himself further by lending money to the warring nations and that he has absolutely refused.

"Are you expecting a call from the commission of European bankers now in New York to negotiate a billion-dollar war loan for the allies?" Rockefeller was asked.

"No," he replied emphatically. "I certainly am not expecting a visit from the commission, nor do I expect them to ask me for the war loan. They know I would not consider it."

Then, after a pause—

"Both England and Russia have asked me for loans. They were refused!"

Again Rockefeller was meditatively silent a moment, then he exclaimed fervently:

"This war is awful! Don't you think it is awful?"

During the interview, which was granted at the oil king's Forest Hill estate, Rockefeller did not mention his son, John D., Jr., who is reported